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1. Coal stocks and consumption of coal for operational use in metric tons

<u>Date</u> <u>1951</u>					<u>Coal stock</u>	
	<u>Hard coal</u>	<u>Raw brown coal</u>	<u>Brown coal</u> <u>brquettes</u>	<u>Coke</u>	<u>Hard coal</u>	<u>Brown coal</u>
3 Aug	147,026	19,173	103,696	2,167	-	355
6 Aug	145,300	19,169	109,580	2,209	-	471
3 Aug	2,351 (2,312)	658 (200)	15,308 (14,927)	19 (-)	50 (40)	206 (206)
6 Aug	2,061 (2,024)	709 (250)	14,509 (14,172)	17 (-)	78 (78)	118 (118)

Note: The figures above in brackets refer to coal consumed by locomotives. (1)

2. Backlog of undispached railroad cars

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Dispatched to:

Date	Number of railroad cars	Area area	Poland and U.S.S.R.	Baltic Sea ports	Places within the zone	Sweden	Western Germany
2 Aug	890	-	523	36	-	19	312
3 Aug	987	-	550	36	210	31	360
5 Aug	2,014	-	569	44	1,106	55	240
6 Aug	1,084	-	811	44	60	49	120

3. Park of operational railroad cars

3 August 1951: 73,821 units
6 August 1951: 74,079 units. (3) (4)

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Comments.

- (1) As compared with the last reported status of 30 July 1951, available coal stocks have again risen by 10,000 tons, particularly in the brown coal briquettes category. Coal stocks are now adequate for slightly more than 15 days' operations. As mentioned previously, the Soviet railroad authorities are establishing a winter coal reserve which on 1 October 1950 amounted to approximately 100,000 tons.
- (2) As compared with the status of late July, the number of loaded railroad cars awaiting dispatch has risen considerably. The remarkable increase observed on 5 August 1951 is believed to be caused by the preferential treatment given to traffic connected with the World Youth Festival held in Berlin from 5 to 19 August 1951.
- (3) The park of operational railroad cars, although slightly increased, is still short by approximately 6,000 cars of the fixed target figure.
- (4) For originals of daily operation reports, see Annexes.

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a. Coal stocks and consumption of coal for operations use in metric tons.

	Date	Hard Coal	Raw Brown Coal	Brown Coal Briquettes	Coke	Coal Hard Coal	Dust Brown Coal
Total stocks	7 August	144,946	19,672	112,942	2,192	-	392
	9 August	142,706	19,993	117,387	2,153	40	294
	11 August	141,438	20,403	118,688	2,200	50	385
	14 August	138,291	21,313	132,279	2,190	50	463
	16 August	134,266	21,640	135,351	2,163	64	352
Daily Consumption	7 August	2,171 (2,120)	692 (204)	14,645 (14,313)	17 (-)	28 (28)	258 (258)
	9 August	3,133 (3,085)	681 (224)	15,106 (14,814)	18 (-)	25 (25)	159 (159)
	11 August	2,552 (2,510)	337 (190)	15,572 (15,360)	14 (-)	22 (22)	105 (105)
	14 August	3,027 (2,987)	736 (268)	15,248 (15,024)	(20) (-)	26 (26)	(126) (126)
	16 August	2,959 (2,917)	826 (296)	15,847 (15,351)	42 (-)	50 (50)	254 (254)

Note: The figures in brackets refer to coal consumed by locomotives. (2)

b. Backlog of loaded cars.

Date	Total Number of Cars	Zilten- dorf (3)	Poland and U.S.S.R.	Baltic Sea Ports	Inter- zonal Traffic	Ferry Traffic to Sweden	West Germany
7 August	743	-	513	181	-	49	-
8 August	1,591	394	601	216	362	18	-
9 August	1,729	215	589	218	636	16	55
10 August	1,525	119	638	159	578	31	-
11 August	1,472	233	587	234	398	20	-
13 August	1,363						-

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14 August	1,615	60	561	117	853	24	--
15 August	2,142	208	681	80	1,147	26	--
16 August	1,496	208	735	-	532	21	-- (4)

C. Park of operational railroad cars.

7 August	74,107	
9 August	74,759	
11 August	77,281	
14 August	77,518	
16 August	78,277	(5)

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2. Miscellaneous.

- a. From 1:10 to 4:29 p.m. on 11 August 1951 the Calau-Golmitz railroad line was closed by order of the Ministry for State Security. A railroad guard of the Volkspolizei unsuspectedly came upon several men who were engaged in fastening a wire cable to a rail joint. When the policeman approached the men took to their heels. (6)
- b. At 8:39 p.m. on 16 August 1951 a passenger car crashed into a Soviet truck with trailer at a level crossing located at kilometer marker 32.7 between the Walsleben and Kreuzlin railroad stations on the Wittstock/Dosse and Neuruppin railroad line in the Schwerin railroad district. Four of the ten passengers of the truck were killed and six severely injured.

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Comments.

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As compared with the status of 6 August 1951 coal stocks have increased by 17,000 metric tons and are now adequate for 16 days' operations. Attention is called to the fact that the stocks of hard coal have decreased by 11,000 tons, presumably due to decreased deliveries of hard coal from Upper Silesia and an increased consumption of coal in connection with the heavy traffic during the World War.

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